

REMARKS

Claims 1-21, 23-33, and 35-49 remain in the application. Claims 22, 34, and 39 have been canceled. Applicant respectfully submits that claim 39 has been canceled to address the 35 USC §112 second paragraph rejection. Claims 21, 33, and 45 have been amended. No claims have been added. Applicant respectfully reserves the right to swear behind any prior art associated with this prosecution history, and reserves the right to pursue additional claims in a divisional/continuation application.

Allowable Subject Matter incorporated into rejected claims

Claims 1-20, 27-32 and 40-49 are allowed. Claims 22-26 and 34-35 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant respectfully submits that the amendments to the claims place all claims in condition for allowance. Specifically, allowable dependent claim 22 has been incorporated into independent claim 21, and allowable dependent claim 34 has been incorporated into independent claim 33. As such, Applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims 1-21, 23-33, and 35-49 are allowable. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter this application Amendment After Final Action be admitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.116.

CONCLUSION


Applicant respectfully submits that the rejections have been overcome by the amendments and remarks, and that the Claims as amended are now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the rejections be withdrawn and the Claims as amended be allowed.

If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any fee deficiency that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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